### From the Registrar of Voter...

**November 2, 2004 is Election Day**. The **LAST DAY** to register for the presidential election is October 19, 2004. Our office will be open from 9 AM—8 PM on October 19th. The following voter making sessions have been scheduled:

September 18 10AM—2PM @ Ellington Supermarket October 16 10AM—2PM @ Hall Memorial Library

If any elector needs to change his/her voting information, please contact the Registrar's Office @ 870-3107 as soon as possible. The change can be an address change, name change or party change.

To register to become a voter in Ellington, please call 870-3107 or pick up a voter registration card at our office, the library or the Town Clerk's Office. You may also get an application online from the Secretary of State's website, <a href="https://www.sots.state.ct.us">www.sots.state.ct.us</a>. This card may be returned by mail and we will notify you once we have received your card and registered you as a voter. You may also register through the DMV when you renew your driver's license.

Margaret Weekes
Republican Registrar

Susan Lugínbuhl
Democratic Registrar



# Election Day

November 2, 2004

**Absentee Ballots:** Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk on October 1, 2004. Deadline to apply for an Absentee Ballot is November 1, 2004.

Polls will be open from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM

District 1: Ellington Middle School

District 2: Crystal Lake School



The Town of Ellington is considering making Ellington Middle School the permanent polling place for District 1 voters. We would appreciate feedback from the public before taking any action. Please leave a message with the Registrar of Voters at 870-3107 or send an email:

<u>mweekes@ellington-ct.gov</u> or <u>sluginbuhl@ellington-ct.gov</u>

#### From the Tax Collector...

Credit Card Payments: Some individuals have requested the ability to charge their taxes on a credit card. Since the Town cannot absorb the credit card company fees, this convenience fee would be passed on to the credit cardholder. It would be about 3% of the bill, so if you had a \$2,000 tax bill, the fee would be \$60. We would be very interested to hear how many taxpayers would still use their credit cards to pay their taxes when there is a fee attached. Call the Tax Collector's Office at 870-3113 or send an email to taxcollector@ellington-ct.gov

**November** is the collection month for the Town refuse fee. The charge covers the time period from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 and you have the entire month of November to pay the bill. New construction is prorated. We can only give a credit if the house is vacant for at least 6 months, a copy of your electric bill is the standard backup documentation.

## The ELLINGTON CONNECTION Department of Public Works

870-3140



## Town of Ellington's **Household Hazardous Waste Day** Saturday, September 25, 2004 Town Garage, 21 Main Street

Ellington residents may also participate in the following collections:

October 2, 2004	W. Hartford	DPW, Oakwood Ave Extension
October 16, 2004	Windsor Locks	DPW, 6 Stanton Road
October 17, 2004	Bloomfield	Tikvoch Chadoshoh, 180 Still Rd
October 23, 2004	E. Hartford	WPCF, 65 Pitkin Street
October 30, 2004	Rocky Hill	WPCF, 80 Goff Brook Lane

### All collections are held from 8 am – 1 pm

Household Hazardous Waste Day items include household chemicals and cleaners, garage and workshop chemicals, pool chemicals, paint, paint thinner, fluorescent bulbs and mercury thermometers.

Latex paint, old computers, propone tanks and batteries will be accepted from Ellington residents only.

Waste oil, antifreeze, oil filters, propane tanks, fluorescent light bulbs, computer components and car and lawn mower batteries are accepted at the Town Garage year round.

## **Bulky Waste Reminder**

Bulky waste includes scrap metal, white goods, appliances, aluminum, copper, brass, tools, water tanks, pipes, faucets, fire, rims, furniture, carpet, toys, toilets, sinks, tubs, mattresses, box springs, etc. Wood and carpet cannot exceed 4 ft. in length. Carpet must be rolled and tied. No more than 2 cubic yards of bulky waste allowed per week. Please call

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT @ 528-7000

to schedule a pick up. No demolition materials allowed.

# **Hoffman Road Brush Drop Off Area**

### **Hours of Operation** September

Saturday 9:00 am—4:00 pm

#### **October—November**

Saturday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Thursday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

CLOSED ON HOLIDAY WEEKENDS

## \*\*\*Closed for the Season\*\*\* December 4, 2004 @ 4:00 pm

Items accepted: leaves, brush, firewood and trunks of trees.

Items not accepted: construction materials, grass clippings, tree stumps. Green Cycle on Sadds Mill Road (953-7799) will accept stumps.

**Proof of residency is required.** 

## **Bagged Leaves Pick Up**

November 15-19, 2004

The Town of Ellington picks up leaves once a year. Leaves must be bagged for pick up and placed at the curb. Leaves may also be brought to the Hoffman Road facility.



The following roads are slated for chip seal preventative maintenance:

Crescent Circle	Penfield Avenue	Stein Road
Jolly Road	Shenipsit Street	Sunset Road
Middle Butcher Rd	Snipsic Lake Road	Upper Butcher Rd
Mountain Road	Snipsic View Heights	Westland Road
Mountain Street		Westview Ter

The chip seal process requires an application of oil, followed by a layer of gravel. Reduce speed and use extra caution when traveling on these road after a fresh application of the chip seal.



# **Mailboxes**

Mailboxes should be checked before winter to make sure they are securely fastened to the posts and that the post is not rotted.

A properly installed mailbox should not be affected by the impact of snow. Mailboxes • should be placed 12 inches behind the curb. Be • sure the street number is on the door and/or flag side